OF THE EMPLOYEES BY THE EMPLOYEES FOR THE EMPLOYEES"  $\star$ \*  $\star$ 

Volume VIII

SPRAGUE ELECTRIC VICTORY LOG, AUGUST 11, 1945

Number 1

# LOG STARTS 8TH YEAR OF PUBLICATION

### **Tower Clock Chimes Once More**



The old tower clock of the former Arnold Print Works and now the Sprague Electric Company's Marshall Street Plant, is once again chiming out the time to the residents of North Adams.

The clock is unusual in that it not only strikes the hours, but the quarter-hours also. This is done by two sets of bells. At 15 minutes past the hour one bell is sounded once. It strikes twice at 30 minutes past the hour. Three times at 45 minutes and four times on the even hour. After the four strikes, the other bell sounds the hour.

The old clock has not been in operation since the Print Works closed early in 1942. Recently the Sprague Company had it removed from the tower and had it completely cleaned and overhauled.

It has been the pleasure of the Sprague Electric Company to restore this old land mark, which was installed in the tower about 1890.



538 Sprague Men in Service



18 Sprague Men Made the Supreme Sacrifice



47 Veterans Now Working at Sprague's

### Safer Civilian Life With Aid of Radar

(This is the last of a series of articles on the nature, war uses and future applications of radar.)

The radar that is warning our fighting men of the approaching enemy and leading them to hidden targets will be adapted by the radio industry to make the postwar world a far safer place for everyone.

Particularly in all types of transportation, it will help eliminate most of the common causes of accidents. As pointed out by Hugo Gernsback, noted radio authority:

"Anything that moves anywhere may be radio equipped for safety, if found necessary, practical or con-

Not only will fog or night-bound ships be able to detect icebergs, other ships and dangerous objects while at sea, but they will be able to dock in complete darkness by following the shore outline as seen in the radar scope.

Now considered entirely feasible is an application that will coordinate radar with the operating mechanism of an automobile, so that when another car or barrier is located the engine can be shut off automatically. Thus a sleeping driver can be rendered harmless and his own safety assured.

(Continued on Page 2)



## FLASH!!

### **Sprague Supplies Parts** For Atomic Bomb

We have been authorized by the War Department to state that we have been one of the vital suppliers to the Manhattan (Atomic Bomb) Program, and that at some appropriate future date we shall be authorized to divulge in more complete detail what items we have designed and manufactured for this program, but in the meantime, the Army has expressed pleasure at our contribution.

> SPRAGUE ELECTRIC COMPANY

## Reporters And Editors Set To Make This Best Year Yet

First Issue Of Volume Eight Dedicated To Former Sprague Workers Fallen In Their Country's Service

Many changes have certainly taken place since the first issue of the Log. That was seven years ago to August 1938 when most Americans sincerely felt that the United States would never go to war.

The Log then was about one-fourth its present size. Of course, old-timers will also recall that the Sprague Specialties Company had far fewer employees than today. Both Sprague and the Log little realized how rapid and sudden the growth was to be in fulfillment of their dreams.

Then came the War, employment and production increased tremendously, Army-Navy "E" Awards brought new honors and recognition to Sprague employees, and

(Continued on page 2)

### Sprague On Parade Salutes Air Force

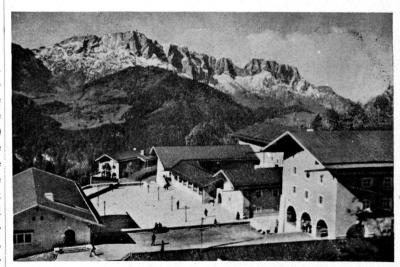
dedicated to the commemoration of expression and color. the Army Air Forces' 38th anniversary, which was observed all over the nation, and which is being emphasized for the Lasher in her duet with him when they past few weeks by our fliers over sang "Indian Love Call." Miss Nan Japan. The Sprague Electric Com- Ross, one of our summer workers from pany gave recognition of this annivers- the Beaver Street Plant, did a marvelary and was very proud they did their ous job on "My Hero" from the bit by supplying equipment for the Chocolate Soldier. air force. The chorus saluted the air force by singing the famous "Song work was in the memory of Lt. Aloysof the Army Air Corps."

The August 1st broadcast was trained contralto voice revealed much

Larry Madison sang "Only A Rose" and was at his best, as was Charlotte

The dedication of the Sprague war ius G. Urbanek, a gold star hero who Our guest soloist on the program made the supreme sacrifice for his was Miss Calliope Anes, who sang a country. Our previous broadcast was French rendition of "Trees" by Tchai- dedicated to Corp. Eugene Miliszewski, kovsky with much finesse. Her well- who also gave his life for his country.

### The Eagle's Nest



The husband of Lillian Franchini sent home this picture of Berchtesgaden, Germany, which was formerly Adolph Hitler's hideout in the Alps.

"Of the Employees,-by the Employees,-for the Employees."



Published by the SPRAGUE ELECTRIC CO., North Adams, Mass.

#### PUBLISHING STAFF

EDITOR: E. S. Whitten MANAGING EDITOR: Evelyn Fairchild BUSINESS MANAGER Lawrence Madison ASSOC, EDITOR Mary Mathews CIRCULATION MANAGER: Marion Caron

ASSISTANT EDITORS: Laurence Haskins, Robert Shoemaker, Fred Windover SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT: Jim Oldham, Clara Miller and Kay Heath.

#### SPORTS

Walter Carpenter, Kenneth Russell and Bernard Bullett STAFF PHOTOGRAPHERS Fred Crosier

#### PLANT EDITORS

Marshall Street: Cecile Trudeau

Brown Street: Agnes McDonough

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTERS

#### Beaver Street

Emma Alongi, Linda Brown, Betty Bogus, Josephine Convery, Margaret Daniels, Lucy DeFazio, Esther Driscoll, Mamie Farinon, Dorothy Gageant, Gertrude Gentile, Hazel Goodale, Ruth Haskins, Albert Horsfall, Barbara Margaret Lamberti, Angie Langer, Lucille Little, Loretta Milisiewski, Isabelle Paquette, Doris Roy, Alice Swartzer, James Shea, Vi Short, Constance Urbano, John Walsh, Priscilla Windover, Frances Dobrowolski and Lena Zappula.

#### Brown Street

Marie Barbuto, Dorothy Boutwell, Helen Burdick, Theresa Bushika, Kay Corsi, Evelyn Dodge, Blanche Duquette, Cecile Grenier, Ann Heath, Betty Jangrow, Elsie Leja, Natalie Mazzuchi, Gladys Markland, Rita Mulqueen, Marguerite Poirot, Eleanor Rhodes, Yvonne Ross, Bertha Salavantis, Erminia Sweeney, William Sheldon, Jessie Vallieres, Helen Wager, Lyda White and Jessie Wilk.

#### Marshall Street

Isabelle Brundige, Frank Daniels, Minnie Dextradeur, Henry Gamari, Ruth Morrissey, Marjorie Peck, Edmund Rivers, Rita Siciliano and Claude Wager.

"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

Vol. VIII August 11, 1945

(Continued from page 1)

finally V-E. The LOG of the Sprague Specialties Crew became with the July 1943 issue the Sprague Electric Victory Log which it has since remained.

Once again the masthead changes, to show you that

everyone is on the job, that reporters and editors are always ready to translate suggestions into actions that the Log might be continually improved to bring nothing but the best to its readers.

#### In Memory of Those Who Have Fallen

We wish to dedicate this first issue of Volume 8 to those former Sprague workers who have fallen in the service of their country. Of 538 men in service, 18 have died or been killed in action. Each week, for the past 18 weeks, has been a production dedication week to one of these men. To the memory of these 18 we now dedicate pages 4 and 5.

#### Many Veterans Now Working at Sprague's

Forty-seven veterans are now working in various Sprague plants. In another column of this issue will be found a list of their names and the plants in which they are employed.

#### SERVICEMEN WHO VISITED THE BEAVER PLANT DURING THE MONTH OF JULY

Name	Branch of Service	Department
Henry LaBonte	Army	Block Test
John Mulcahy	Navy	Machine Shop
Frank James	Army	Bath Tub Assembly
Harold Ronan	Army	Block Annex
Francis Bennett	Navy	Impregnating
Dominick Blasi	Navy	Ovens
Frank Santelli	Army	K.V.A.
Edward Colbert	Navy	Impregnating
John Saulnier	Army	Impregnating
Bernard Lepera	Army	Impregnating
William Beliveau	Army	Block Test
Floyd Wilson	Navy	Can Shop
William Brundige	Navy	Maintenance
Angelo Consolatti	Merchant Marine	Maintenance
Kenneth Blanchard	Navy	Payroll Office
Louis Gazzaniga	Army Air Corps	Chemical & Elec. Control
Dominic Esposito	Army	Block Test
Lawrence Ladd	Army	Machine Shop
Harold Chilson	Army	Maintenance

#### Sprague Production Dedicated to Gold Star Heroes

WEEK OF AUGUST 13TH

MM2-c Daniel T. Baker—Died July 31, 1945 From Machine Shop

#### Radar to Help Postwar Living

(Continued from page 1)

Airplane pilots will know their exact distance off the ground, instead of sealevel ratings. They will also know of the presence of mountains, towers, buildings, other planes and even large birds long before they reach them. And they will be able to land perfectly in darkness.

Aircarft control towers, now restricted to direct radio contact with one plane at a time, will be able to see on a screen all aircraft within 35 miles in any direction. They will then be able to chart landings and takeoffs to prevent collisions.

Railroads, too, are expected to become almost accident-proof through radar. In addition to train-to-train, train-to-station and cab-to-caboose radio now being installed, there is likely to be radar equipment to detect objects on the track ahead, approaching automobiles on crossroads and the condition of the track in the rear. Besides extending the range of observation many miles under best conditions it will give equal knowledge in fog and darkness

Science, too, will be fostered. Prof. Maurice Brooks of the West Virginia University has revealed his plans to use equipment, installed on high mountains, to obtain data on the height, speed and direction of flight of wild geese and other large birds.

In the better world of tomorrow, radar is certain to play as great a role as it is now playing in uniform.



#### Do You Know

That probably the quietest spot in the world is in Brooklyn. It's an airtight room, mounted on rubber sixteen inches in depth, where Navy Yard engineers test delicate electronic equipment. The room is inside another chamber, the brick walls of which are twelve inches thick.

#### Victim of Heart Attack

Machinist Mate Daniel T. Baker was the victim of a heart attack at his home, July 31, 1945. He was home on a fifteen day leave from his station

Dan was born in Adams, Mass. but had made his home in North Adams since his marriage. At the time of his enlistment two years ago, he was employed in the Machine Shop. He had made many friends here at the Sprague Electric and his sudden death was a shock to all.

Surviving him are his wife, mother, two brothers, and three sisters. Sincerest sympathy is extended to them by the Sprague employees and manage-



#### NEWS FROM THE SERVICEMEN

#### Never Let Us Down

July 21, 1945 Employees Sprague Electric

Dear Friends:

Just a few lines to let you know that I received your package and wish to thank you for it. I also want to congratulate you on a job well done. Our Bn. has used a great deal of Sprague condensers in our travels thru France, Germany and Austria under all kinds of conditions. They have never let us down. Keep up the good work and the best of luck to you all.

Sincerely,

Ray Chalifoux

TIN CAN

WASH

FLATTEN

SEND TO

SALVAGE

DEPOT

TO HEAL

WE TIN CANC

Thence TO THE PACIFIC

TO FIGHT

THE JAPS HOLD 90% OF THE TIN SUPPLY. WE

MUST DOUBLE OUR

TIN CAN SALVAGE

TO FEED

#### **Decorated Again**

Your KITCHENS ARE AMERICA'S ONLY TIN MINES

Pvt. Francis D. Flaherty has been awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star medal for valorous conduct in action against the Germans, according to an announcement made by the 7th Infantry regiment of the 7th Army. Pvt. Flaherty was a former employee of the Vitamin "Q" Department.

#### At Pearl Harbor

Pearl Harbor, T. H.—Nerve center of the far-flung aviation supply system in the Pacific area is the Naval aviation supply depot here. This important activity, like a super mail order establishment, serves the widespread island bases, aviation supply ships, and mighty carriers.

Engaged in the vital task of supplying aviation forces now striking at Japan is Lloyd King, aviation metalmith first class, USNR, formerly of the Dry Rolling Department.

King has been overseas for 18 months, and prior to his transfer here he was stationed at Naval Air Station, Alameda, California.

#### **Typhoons Here**

July 1, 1945

I sure enjoy the Log. I no sooner finish reading it, than I look forward to receiving the next issue. It's good to It's good to read about people and things I really know about. I also enjoy reading the sport column by Bernie, Walt, and Ken.

I'm in very good health but sure would like some of that good old land

for a while. Besides fighting the Japs, there are typhoons here; they make one stop and wonder. If you never have prayed before, this is one time I think you start.

Nothing, after a year spent here, interests me. The people on the island are not dumb as far as money is concerned. They get a good price for what they sell.

Say hello to all the Can Shop gang for me

I will say so long for now and hope it will not be too long before I visit North Adams for good.

Thanking you for the Log. I remain. Thomas Ed Dean

#### Receives Discharge

Corp. Harold F. Chilson, a veteran of three years overseas was honorably discharged from the Army at the Fort Devens Separation Center, July 29th, with 100 points to his credit. Chilson was formerly employed in the Maintenance Department.

#### At Cushing General

Corp. Leslie R. Dustin recently reurned to the United States from Europe where he served for 19 months as a member of the 3rd division of Gen. Hodge's First Army, and is now confined to the Cushing General hospital, Framingham.

Corp. Dustin, who holds the ETO ribbon, with five battle stars, was from the Filter Department.

He is expected to arrive home soon.



#### Boxing

#### By C. Urbano

Welcome back to "Lil" Boyer and Sophia Bryda. VACATIONS:

"Phil" Martell — Camp Framingham with the State Guard.

"Flossie" McCauley — Canada and Vermont.

Irene Gage — Old Orchard Beach,

Maine.

Rose Moresi — Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mary Kryston - Old Orchard Beach, Maine. Alma Sweeney — Lake Champlain,

"Tessie" Czaja — Chicago, III.. Sophia Wilk — New York City...

Harold Dufresne — Canada... John O'Connell - Camping, Lee, Mass.

"Jo" Pisano — New York City... Ann Blasi — Atlantic City, N. J.... Pauline Foy—Springfield, Mass... Madie Horrigan -Portland and

Old Orchard Beach, Maine. Yours Truly -- Old Orchard Beach, Maine and New York.

Welcome back, Gene Marceau, after your discharge from the Army. Glad to have you with us again, Gene.

Your reporter would like to thank each employee for the donations received for the S.E.A.A. food sale.

Our sympathy to Beatrice Faustini on the loss of her father.

### **Factory Engineering**

By Doris Roy

Now I ask you readers what can a reporter write about when everyone is out enjoying himself on a wellearned vacation? Maybe where-who spent his vacation might interest you, so here goes:

Bill Jette: A week's vacation most of which was spent at home, the rest of the time was taken up visiting inlaws in Pittsfield.

Henry Anderson: Another home lover is Andy. One solid week of just resting up. But what's so bad about that now.

Harold Stevens: 'Tis the sunny beach of York, Maine, for Harold and his family. And from what I gather quite a good time was enjoyed by all.

Jay Burton: Readsboro, Vermont, was the place chosen for Jay's vacation. Boating, swimming, and fishing now what more could a fellow possibly wish

See you in the next Log, folks.

### This Is Fun



Claire Anderson, of Paper Rolling says fishing is fun at Newport, R. I. What a fish story she can tell.

### "W. E." Department

By Emma Alongi

Lorraine Lamoureaux and Vickie Yeargin — Lowell, Mass.

Pauline Bazinet and "Reggie" Miliszewski — Niantic Beach. Vickie Candiloro — Old Orchard and

Niantic Beach. Oliva Richard - State Guard,

Framingham, Mass. Julie Bourgeois — Hartford, Conn.

Ida Miller — Cape Cod. Nathalie Serre — Canada.

A miscellaneous shower was held recently at Lafayette Hall for Peg. St. Pierre, who is to be married in September to Bob Pilot. Peggy received many lovely gifts. We all wish you the best of luck, Peg.

Engagement: Muriel Van Horn of our department to Robert Williams of Cedartown, Georgia. No date has been set for the wedding. JUST WONDERING:

Who the nightingale is in our Department.

Why "Julie" doesn't wear her slacks anymore...

## **Production Scheduling**

By A. E. F.

Wally Young has returned after a week's maneuvering with the 111th C of the State Guard at Framingham... Nick Carter's vacation has also come to an end after being at the races in Jamaica and New York...Marie Rose Lussier spent her vacation at home. A certain sailor she knows was home on leave. Some fun, Marie.

Welcome back, Jane Douglas. We hope you like Production Control as well as the Sales Department.

Mamie Farinon has been wondering why her middle fingers are stiff — well she should try using all ten fingers on the typewriter. Keep up the practice, Mamie.

A party was held recently at the Clarksburg Sportsmen's Club in honor of the marriage of our reporter, Frances Dobrowolski, (formerly Zaloga). A delicious chicken dinner was served followed by dancing and singing which was enjoyed by everyone. Vocal solos were rendered by Helen Root, and the party dispersed with the playing of the "National Anthem." Frances was presented a purse of money and a corsage bouquet of sweet peas and roses by her co-workers.

### **Dry Rolling**

By Jo Kieltyka

That isn't a recording of Ginny Simms you hear, it's Alma Haley imitating her to perfection.

This isn't a joke but an example of Tom" Bunting's wonderful sense of humor. Recently, I was singing a Polish song when Tom came by and said, "That's what I like, Jo, there's nothing like a good old Irish tune."

A combined birthday party was held at the home of Margaret Wohler in honor of Jennie Mazza and Gladys Costello. Everyone had a swell time and we all wish both girls many more.

VACATIONERS: Tony Morino enjoyed the week of the 15th in Maine. He now goes around telling everybody fish stories...Helen Callahan spent two weeks at home with her husband, who was home on a furlough...Mrs. Evelvn Falbo went to New Jersev to visit her husband, who is in a hospital there. Jennie Mazza went to Old Orchard, Maine...Alice Bennett visited her brother's future in-laws in New Jersey. By the way, Alice doesn't live on the farm anymore. Guess she can't take it..."Izzy" Paquette our regular reporter is resting at home for a week before she travels to Atlantic City.

Our deepest sympathy to "Liz" Carlow on the death of her mother-in-

We'd like to take this opportunity to say hello to all the boys from our Department who are in the service and to wish them all the luck in the world.

### Machine Shop

By John Walsh

VACATIONERS: Ray Magnoli spent of hay while the sun shined. The rest of his time was spent enjoying his in the WAC's a year ago. favorite pastime fishing....Walter where he got plenty of tennis and swimming...Lou Morocco vacationed Roy Cook are frequent visitors of the in Maine and from all reports had a Showboat in New Lebanon, New York. very pleasant time swimming, vachting and resting . . . Ray Bissaillon visited at Hampton Beach...Hampton Beach seems to be the place where there's always something doing to keep you entertained for Hank Koloc and Edgar Remillard vacationed there.

Joseph Marlow was operated on last week at the House of Mercy Hospital in Pittsfield. We hope you have a quick recovery, Joe.

Catherine Carsno has returned from the Plunkett hospital in Adams where she underwent an operation. Good to have you back, Catherine.

Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Ladd, who entered the service from our Department over two years ago, paid us a surprise visit last week. He was in the ETO for nineteen months. Hope you will be back to stay soon, Larry.

Hugh MacDonald was a little worried at the time of the flood in Hancock because he keeps his pigs there. He was much relieved, however, when he discovered his pigs were good swimmers and reached shore safely.

William Mausert, who recently was operated on at the North Adams hospital, is progressing favorably. We miss you Bill, get well soon and hurry back.

### Three Meet



"Limp" De Paoli, Harry George and the squadron dog taken at a rest camp where they met recently.

July 16, 1945

Well, sorry I haven't written in such a long time but things have been moving right along since I last saw

I ran into Harry George a couple of months ago and we had a few pictures taken. I was supposed to send you one quite a while ago but had trouble getting them printed. Harry is much heavier now.

now aboard ship.

heard it is pretty dead around N. A. a nice coat of tan were Chuck Rarick, but compared to where I am nothing could be dead. Our squadron dog is the only one around here that doesn't mind it.

Wish you would take a couple of drinks for me.

Yours always, Olympio "Limp" De Paoli АММ 3-с



### **Dry Test**

By L. B. and V.

June Bunting, the daughter of his vacation getting in his winter supply Victoria, has been promoted to Pfc. at Newport News, Va. June enlisted

Gouch Morin, brother of Lillian Baumert enjoyed his vacation at his Colo, has returned from England and camp at Hedges Lake in N. Y. state is spending a 30 day leave at home.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs.

VACATIONERS: Elaine Bourdon visited New York...Esther Vitro traveled to Atlantic City...Jennie Chalifoux went to California...Alice Pisano vacationed at Cohoes, N. Y... Eddie Horsfall camped at Packard Heights in Athol, Mass.... Helen Pietras spent her vacation in Connecticut....James Todd, Robert Curry, Bill Mahoney, Norm Remillard, and "Red" Lewitt spent a week at Framingham training with the State Guard. Have a nice vacation, boys?

Best wishes to Doris Rondeau, who was married August 4th.

Birthday Greetings to Josephine Bassie, who celebrated her birthday recently. She received a birthday cake and gifts from her co-workers.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF:

Helen LeSage lost that laugh... Ann Goucher couldn't talk... Mary Boschetti wasn't quiet . . Leonore Tarnuzzer couldn't knit at

Claire Sherry stopped blushing... Pearl Dubreuil stopped daydream-

Jim Dickie smiled more often... Eva James didn't wear earrings. Marion Collins stopped talking...

#### FAREWELL PARTY

Miss Marie Sherry was given a farewell party on July 21st by her mother. Many co-workers were present. Marie was presented a suitcase and money. She has been employed in the Dry Test Department for the past three years, and left for Hunter College where she will undergo basic training for the WAVEs. Good Luck, Marie. The WAVEs' gain is Sprague's loss.

### **Block Test**

By Barbara King

Little did the two birds know, when they paid us a visit, all the trouble they would cause. Harry Carpenter and Chuck Rarick were much concerned about their safety and used a sixteen foot pole to show them the way out. It was a great relief when they found the open window and flew

Congratulations to Nellie Cavanaugh, who celebrated her 26th wedding anniversary July 27th, and also to Elizabeth Hunt, who celebrated her 27th anniversary on July 29th.

Belated Birthday Greetings to: Florina Strange, Della Pilling and Irene Carsno. Lucky Irene was presented I recently was at a rest camp but a birthday cake by her co-workers.

The trio from this department wh Hope to be back before too long. I returned from State Guard Camp with Don Hurlburt and Teddy Raymond.

> Welcome back Ruth Arrighini. Ruth visited her husband, Guisti, who is stationed at the Naval base in Arizona.

> VACATIONERS: Frances Solari spent a week in Boston visiting her sailor husband, Armand. Julia Abraham also spent a week in Boston visiting relatives....Nellie Jepson and Georgianna Galligan remained at home during their vacations...Our boss, Frank Manns, traveled to Norfolk, Virginia...Gertrude Burr will spend her vacation at her new camp.

> We're all very happy for Mickey Briggs. Her husband returned recently from overseas.

### Aren't They Devils



Jules Pedrin and Angelo Fierro elebrated in a big way in the big city, 'New York.

### Check Inspection

By Linda Brown

VACATIONS:

Celia Fleming resting at home. Norma Lerta, Doris Domenick, Mary Del Ponte and "Yours Truly" spent the week at Asbury Park, N. J.

Marie Dennis went on a shopping spree in Boston, Mass. Congratulations to Dorothy Man-

cuso who was transferred from Check Inspection to Engineering Specs. Hope you like your new job. Dot.

Wayne and John Diamond, sons of Jack Diamond of our department, are convalescing at their home after a tonsilectomy.

Check Inspection came out strong to support the dance sponsored by the S.E.A.A. We salute Rita Pedrin who with much chagrin assumed ownership of our personals while we danced.

The girls in the Block Test have become enthusiastic about horse racing. Can you blame them? They each placed a 50c bet and it's still going strong after five days.

### Tubular Assembly By D. Gageant and G. Gentile

VACATIONERS: Rita Samia spent one week in Boston and Lawrence... Sara Cook went to Maine, Vermont.. Dora Landry and Grace McConnell vacationed at Lake George...Doris Bernini, Helen Kordek and Mary Rogge spent a week at Old Orchard Beach.

No news this time - sorry, it's on vacation also.

### Quiet, Please!



Martha Wittig, of Paper Rolling, looks askance at the camera. Some one scared away what might have been a bite. Tch! Tch! Taken at Newport, R. I.

#### Vincent I. Pisano



Killed in airplane crash at Barksdale Field, La. JULY 1943

Thomas &. Dean



Killed in truck accident while at Fort Devens, Mass. JULY 1943

Leon E. Rivard



Killed in action at Arawe, Pacific.

JANUARY 1944

The servicemen, whose memory we honor, served their country in the four corners of the earth that we here at home might have peace and security.



Arthur D. Miller



Killed in action "D" Day invasion.

JUNE 1944

Segmour B. Gitelson



Killed in action and buried at sea.
JULY 1944

John Mancuso



Died from shrapnel wounds received during action on the Mediterranean Sea.

**JULY** 1944

#### William I. Skrabonia



Killed in action in France.
AUGUST 1944

Robert D. Dame



Killed in action in France. AUGUST 1944

Norbert Miller



Killed in action in Belgium. SEPTEMBER 1944

## In M

In Memory of those Former I Company Who Serve

They Have Made

### DEDI

WE HUMBLY dedicate these two parts held no price too great for the belonged.... Because they have given that we can do or say to repay the demore fitting and proper way in whice Sprague Log than to dedicate this first

### Rec

of the hosts of de

Strange ghostly Strange bugles And all their fa Are lit with sta

The anguish ar And peace hath But in the ster The iron purpo

Dear Christ, who of human tear A weary road to Oh, house then

Let us never forget these men who

## lemoriam

Employees of the Sprague Electric ed Their Country So Well

the Supreme Sacrifice

## CATION

pages to those former Sprague Workers who e survival of that free society to which they n so much . . . . and because there is so little ebt we owe them . . . . we believe there is no ch to commence this eighth volume of the st issue to these men we shall always honor.

## puiescant

itches, night by night, ions burst upon my sight, tretches of the sky ead go marching by.

y banners o'er them float, sound an awful note, ices and their eyes urlight from the skies.

nd the pain have passed come to them at last; n looks linger still se and the will.

ho reign'st above the flood s and human blood, hese men have trod: n in the home of God!

-F. G. Scott

#### Milliam &. Dempsey



Killed in action in France SEPTEMBER 1944

William E. Derosia



Killed in action in Italy. OCTOBER 1944

Robert C. Button



Killed in action on Luzon JANUARY 1945

#### These eighteen Gold Star heroes represent all

three major branches of the Military Forces of the United States, - the Army, the Navy and the Marine Corps.



Daniel Mahoney



Killed in action in Germany. FEBRUARY 1945

James A. Dippold



Killed in action in Germany. MARCH 1945

#### Eugene Miliszewski



Killed in action in Germany. APRIL 1945

#### Aloysius 6. Urbanek



Marshall Island, Atoll.

#### Gerbert A. Field



Died in motor vehicle accident JULY 1945

#### Daniel T. Baker



Stricken with heart attack while home on leave. JULY 1945

### o once worked side by side with us here

# Letters and News from the Armed Forces \*

#### Advance in the Jungle



#### Armata's Address

July 15, 1945

My dear Miss Owen.

It has been a long time since I last forwarded my address. Since that time I've moved around a good deal, always at temporary stations, and didn't think it a good idea to forward places as mailing addresses at which I could receive the Log. Recently I joined my squadron and have a permanent address now.

Will you please send the Log to my new address? It has been a long time since I've seen one and I miss the "shop news". Please publish my address in the *Log* just in case any of my friends are interested.

Thankfully yours,

Bernard Armata

Pvt. Bernard A. Armata (31349405) 307th Bomb Gr. 372nd Bomb (H) Sq.

C-o P.M. San Francisco, California



#### Transferred to Germany

Corp. Bernard Eitzpatrick has been transferred from the 7th to the 9th Army and moved from France into Germany, according to word received by his mother.

Corp. Fitzpatrick entered service in March, 1943 and was from the Paper Rolling Department.

#### Seaman DiLorenzo



Albert J. DiLorenzo S 1-c, son of Pauline DiLorenzo of the Brown Plant. worked in the Stockroom at Beaver

#### Has Four Bronze Stars

Philippine July 9, 1945

Sprague Employees:

wish to thank you all for the package and to let you know how much I appreciate your kindness. It is a great comfort to a fellow to know that we have not been forgotten. Thanks, Jack Washburn, for your welcome letter. My apologies for not answering - I was on the move at the time I received it and was unable to do so.

Have been getting the Log every month. I find much pleasure in reading and learning all about my friends.

I was very fortunate to have met three of the fellows I worked with—it was swell seeing them again.

At present, I have four bronze stars and a total of 90 points, which means should be going home real soon. Hoping to see you all soon.

Archie Forgette

#### Temperature 120

Somewhere In Cebu, P. I. July 11, 1945 Dear Miss Owen:

How are you and all the Sprague workers?

I received the package sent by the employees and want them to know that I appreciate it very much. As you probably know, it contained some very good canned chicken, a package of

cheese, fruit cake, candy, and gum.

Thanks also for the Log, which I have been getting regularly. It helps me keep track of the boys in the service and also my co-workers at Sprague's.

I hear often from Jimmy Zabek, who is located near me, and Bernard Fitzpatrick.

The weather here is very warm during the day, ranging from one hundred to one twenty degrees, but after the sun goes down it gets quite cool. We are set up right on the beach and get a fairly good breeze from the ocean.

We play volleyball every evening and have movies three nights a week. Well, Miss Owen, I guess there isn't more news so I'll close for now but will write again soon.

Sending my best regards to you, and the Sprague workers

I remain Bob Dube

#### It Could Happen Only Here

Leland Stowe, the famous war cor-respondent of the Chicago Daily News, just home from Africa, told a group at lecture, how he knew when he was back in the United States.

At the railroad station in Miami he saw a poster which asked, in large type, this question: "Traveling?" Under zo of the Brown
Albert formerly
ockroom at Beaver

cording to Stowe, could not happen in any other country in the world.

#### Visited Hollywood Canteen

San Diego, California July 16, 1945

Dear Friends: I finally got some time to drop you

a few lines. I've been pretty busy going to school but it won't be long before I'll be going back to sea.

Have been receiving the Log and

really am glad to get it and read about everybody back there. I'll probably get a short leave and will stop in to ee the boys

Visited the Hollywood Canteen and went dancing at the Pallodium to the music of Tommy Tucker and his band.

It's swell to get liberty and some recreation after two years. I don't think it will be too long before we'll all be coming back home to stay

Give my regards to George Senecal and the boys in the Formation Department.

Regards to all, I'll be seeing you soon. Sincerely yours

John Milos

#### Somewhere In Germany



T-Cpl. John Fortini is still wearing that friendly smile. Johnny for-merly worked in the Paper Test Department. He is the brother of Rita Pedrin of Check Inspection, "Don" of the Sample Lab, "Bill" of the Can Shop and Frank (Pee Wee) of Dry Test.

#### Driving A Tank

Czechoslovakia July 15, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

The old Y.D. is pretty well broken up by now and very few of the boys are in it that came across with the outfit. They've taken all men such as myself with a critical score of 85 or more and transferred them to this 8th Arm'd Division which is in class IV, eventual disbandment after hitting the States. In our places they took the low point men from this outfit and transferred them to the 26th which is in class II, Pacific by way of the States.

From the looks of things it will be

quite some time before I get to the States again for our priority is pretty low as far as transportation is concerned in this redeployment set up.

I'm in the Czech Sudetanland. Most of the natives are of German extraction here, which we don't care much for.

At present I'm learning to drive a tank, and doing all right.

I'll see you sometime

Lewis Quimby

#### Away Three Years

France July 14, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

I received the package from the Sprague employees and will you thank them all for me. I have traveled quite a few miles since I last heard any news from Sprague's. I left England in May, came to LeHavre, France and then to the 3rd Army replacement center in Nuremburg, Germany. Boy, no one would believe the damage that the bombs did to this city. Almost every city we came through was the I am now at France again. just came out of the hospital, had trouble with my stomach but I am all right now. I haven't enough points to come home, only 74. It will make 3 years August 5th, that I have been over seas. I sure miss North Adams. haven't been receiving the Log

for quite a few months and I surely miss it.

Please tell all the Gang in Dry Rolling that I was asking for them. hope to be home in about a year or year and a half. Again I say, I sure enjoyed the gift box and thanks to everyone who helped send it.

Sincerely. Angelo Corbosiero

#### Over Ledo-Burma Road

China

July 22, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

I am now in China, as you can see. We came over the "Ledo-Burma Road" and it sure was a scenic trip, but one of the roughest I have ever taken. Hope I never have to go over it again.

Received a very nice package from the Sprague Employees with all the little things a fellow likes to get (to eat)

Another reason for writing this letter is to let you know that I have had a change of address. I don't want to miss getting the good old "Log".

Now a little about China. people in this province sure are poor. Once in a while you can see a man starved to death on the side of the road. Nearly everyone is in rags. We sure are lucky to be Americans.

Best regards, John Raby

#### **Extends Appreciation**

July 18th, 1945

To the Employees of Sprague Electric Co.:

I extend my greatest appreciation to you all for the package I received a while ago. I also, at this time, want

to thank you people for the "Sprague Log" which I have been receiving regularly. Sincerely,

Pfc. R. H. Spofford

#### Hospital in Belgium



S-Set. Dante S. De Fazio shown in the R.A.F. hospital in Belgium after being liberated from a German prison camp. Sgt. De Fazio is the brother of Lucy of the Networks and is home on a sixty days furlough. He has been a patient at the Walter Reed Hospital at Washington, D. C., since his arrival in the States in June.

#### Assigned to Adirondack

Rhode Island July 31, 1945

Dear Friends:

Just a few lines to let you know that I have a change in my address. They have moved me to Rhode Island, boy this sure is the place. The food very good and you're really a sailor nd feel like being one when here.

How is everyone? Fine I hope. I have been assigned to a ship called the Adirondack and it is really going

to be swell. I hope! Hope Mrs. Fairchild enj trip. Will write again soon. Mrs. Fairchild enjoyed her

Sincerely yours,

Francis Bennett



#### With 2nd Bombardment Group

Sgt. Daniel F. Alcombright, formerly of the Chemical Control Department, has been assigned to the occupational air forces in Europe as a member of the 2nd Bombardment group, a veteran B-17 Flying Fortress unit with the 15th Air Force. He has served 17 months overseas with the Air Force as a mess sergeant.

#### Gets Bronze Star

For meritorious service in combat from Feb. 27, 1944 to May 2, 1945, in Italy, the Bronze Star has been awarded to Sgt. Charles Dunn. Sgt. Dunn for-merly worked in K.V.A. at Brown USMC Street.

#### Action on the Beach





#### K.V.A. Cover Assembly By "Dolly" Poirot

VACATIONS:

Mary Roy enjoyed herself at Hampton Beach, N. H. and Salisbury, Mass. Evelyn Therrien traveled to Spring-

field, Mass., and Albany, N. Y "Betty" Louison spent part Louison spent part of hers in Hartford, Conn. and the rest at

Rena Brassard and Frances Kelly spent their vacations at their respective homes

Isabel Witherow spent several days fishing in Vermont

Rose Roy visited relatives in Canada

and Rhode Island for two weeks. Best of luck to Rachel Garner and "Angie" Pontier who have been trans-

ferred to other departments. Peas-in-a-pod: Alvce Crockwell and Sally Haskell. WANTED: (by "Slim" Kenyon)

A girl who will do his work, so he can

"Dot" Polmatier is happy because brother, Walter Westcott, U.S.N. is home for thirty days from active duty in South America. Walter, who was formerly employed in the Boxing department, saw his eleven months old daughter for the first time. He is the son of Lewis Westcott of Industrial Oil Rolling.

Mary Peltier is making her daily trips again to see her little grandson, George, Jr., who has returned from Texas with his mother where they were visiting his father, S-Sgt. George Peltier. Ruth Surr has returned to work

after spending a month's leave with her son, Pfc. Thomas Surr, who was home on a furlough. "Dot" Fowler entertained Alice

Bard, Betty DeMarco, Frances Kelly, "Phil" LaBrecque, Mary McAndrews and Theresa Paquin at her home on July 19th. A delicious out-door supper was served and a grand time was had by all. (By the way girls-ask Alice Bard about the somersalt she took on Stratton Road).

#### Pacific Next



Pfc. Thomas Surr, formerly of the Drafting Department, who recently returned from active duty in England and is to be sent to the Pacific, is pictured with his mother, Ruth Surr of K.V.A. His father is Herbert of the Machine Shop.

#### Warm Already

Passenger: "Porter, will you get me another glass of ice water?'

Porter: "Sorry, suh, but if I takes any mo' ice, dat corpse in de baggage car ain't goin' keep.

\$8,000 last year." Friend: "Honestly?"

that getting a little personal?'

### Industrial Oil Dry Assem

By Jessie Wilk and Lyda White After finding out where Bill Houghton lives, we think his them song should be, "My Mountain Home." we think his theme How about it, Bill?

Folks, Carl Estes says he got that black eve falling out of bed. Well at least give him credit for being original!

We hear Louie Vincelette is going back to his old hobby — Photography. If we smile pretty will your camera be able to stand the strain, Louie? We'd like a dozen "Pics."

Nan Barschdorf is spending a two reeks' vacation at Windsor Pond. Happy sunburn, Nan, if it doesn't rain.

What happened to Jessie Wilk the Sunday afternoon she and Lyda White were to go swimming at North Pond? Could be she was listening to the "Birdies" sing. And for that matter what happened to Lyda?

#### Wire Coating

First Shift -- By Betty Jangrow Larry Weld tells the gang that the

best place to spend your vacation is in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Harris recently sojourned in Canada. Hope you both enjoyed the plane trip.

Ed Jepson is back. We hope this

marks the beginning of a long streak

#### Second Shift -- By Helen Burdick

Connie (Prendergast) Carey, a former Wire Coater, is back with us again. Glad to see you, Connie, and welcome back

Isabel Farley, who just returned from her vacation looks grand. Canada must have agreed with you, Isabel, or was it the plane trip you took?

Agnes Renton has returned from her vacation and she has put on weight! It certainly agreed with her. I think she gained at least four ounces. Anyway Agnes, you look great!

Chauncy Weld spent a few days in Vermont, fishing. It sure agreed with him, as he returned full of Vim and Vigor and very "witty."

#### K. V. A.

#### By Marie Barbuto

Tom Attella is all smiles now that his buddy Larry Folino has returned from his vacation.

"Sam" Soloman received an expected cold shower recently. Nothing like a shower to pep you up these warm days - is there, Sam?

#### P. A. A. Department

#### By Elsie Leja

Congratulations to Cpl. and Mrs. Thomas Sherman who were recently wed. Mrs. Sherman was the former Evelyn DeMarco. The groom recently returned from Europe.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Clara Beauchamp on the recent loss of her mother-in-law.

Francis Dickinson S.2-c spent a leave at his home recently. He is the brother of Ellen of Paper Rolling and

has been stationed in Cuba. "Dot." Shephard and Gloria Chiettini spent their vacations at Hampton Beach.

Helen Cutler enjoyed her vacation at Newport, R. I.

Sgt. Stanley Czubryt, son-in-law of Frances Kosiba of stove soldering, has received a discharge after being in the service for five years

Peggy Daub and Phyllis St. Cyrvisited Milton Cohen at Camp Edwards. Milton was recently employed at the Beaver St. Plant.

Alice O'Malley is out due to illness Hurry and get well, Alice, and join the gang!

We wish to welcome all new-comers in this department, the names of whom City Hall employee: "I made over are too numerous to mention. Hope you enjoy working along with us.

Give Ceila Stawarz a paper rolling City Hall employee: "Well, isn't machine and a package of gum and she's content.

#### Paper Networks

By A. Heath and W. Sheldon Lena Bullett enjoyed her vacation

at Lake Champlain. June Cole has returned to work after being ill. Hope you feel all right

now, June. Florence Dickinson spent her vaca-

tion in her own back vard! Martha Lewis "pulled" a fast one the other afternoon. It was very hot so we took turns fanning her. We went home all in — did Martha go home. Oh no! She took in an open air movie in Albany, N. Y.

Bill Sheldon was like a lost soul while his buddy, Gilbert Masson, on vacation. Gilbert visited in Fall River and Providence, R. I.

Kenny Russell went fishing, said, but we were told he was out looking for the prize bull that was lost from the Mount Hope Farm during the recent flood. Is that right, Kenny?

When is Grace Ogert going to give Viola Rand's dog Tippy a break and stop pushing him off the seat so she can ride up street? Be careful, Grace, remember it's Dog Days.

The Village Blacksmith didn't have a thing on the Coil Winders, such pounding has not been heard since Day. They were taking dents out of the cans, but from the racket, they were putting dents in the nerves of the folks in the room!



#### Selkar Satires

#### By Ruth Morrissey

omeone new has been added who is literally sweeping us off our feet. The someone being Stanley Oslizlo.

#### QUIZ

Who's the miss with all the gum? If it's Beechnut, you'll get none. But her heart is gav and free

In fact, she's a very good friend to me. Answer-Beatrice Boucher

No, Harriet Creps isn't going away. Don't let the duffle bag fool you!

There is only one thing that could make Anna Mae Kendrick get up at 8:00. That is when Penney's are having their Bargain Sale.

Jame Williams, you didn't really think you lost that pay check did you? There are ways to outsmart the bugs that come in the open windows. Here are a few suggestions.

Nora Dawe suggests wearing a veil or even an old curtain will do.

Mrs. Beaupre suggests fly stickers.

Both methods are in practical use Jane Lanzo, indeed, showed what a pal she is to Ann St. Cvr. She trotted up two flights of stairs to get the cake for supper that Ann forgot. Or were you just hungry. Jane?

Mary Bernard is sporting what the well-dressed vacationer is wearing. nifty tan recently acquired at Atlantic City.

Set. Claude Wager reports back to duty at Selkar, after being on maneuvers with the State Guard at Framingham. We sure did miss him and are very happy to see him back.

We don't worry too much about meatless days, as Clara Langley has remedied this. She brings us chickens and no points, imagine! She is a real friend, indeed.

We would like to extend a hearty welcome to all the new girls.

#### PRODUCTION PATRIOTIC

If we keep production high, And also help by Bonds we buy, Then, we in Selkar can proudly say, "We also helped to Speed V-J Day."

#### SWEET NEWS FOR SUGAR-SHORT HOME CANNERS



Home canners can get up to a third more jars of better-tasting, better-looking fruit from their scant sugar allowance by packing fruits in the new Karo-and-sugar blend syrups! That's big canning news in any year, and particularly now when sugar is scarce and food conservation vitally important.

The recipes for Karo-canned fruits and berries may be obtained at the LOG desk.

#### By Ceil Risch

Congratulations to Mary Barry who celebrated her 18th wedding Anniversary the 29th of July.

Jane Windrow celebrated her birthday recently. Belated greetings, Jane.

#### VACATIONISTS

Lucy DePari Edith Little Ianet Bushey Lucy Murphy Florence Niles LOST: If some

Pittsburg, Pa. New York, N. Y. Burlington, Vermont Merrimac, Mass. Lake George, N. Y. one finds a five cent

piece please return it to Mary Kelly. Florence Niles informs us that her cat had four beautiful angora kittens.

Agnes Fitzgerald must have had a good time on her vacation because she had forgotten she had a pay check coming. Surprise, Agnes?

Sorry you are ill, Nora (Ma) Deeir, hope you will be back with us soon. Florence Masson sure has an appetite

for a little girl who is sick. Where do the waxers and a few others go on Friday noon?

Mary Roscoe seems pretty happy lately with her new wax tank. Don't fall in, Mary.

Ann Card is starting a class on farming. How about a few more pupils, Ann?

A small group of girls helped Miss Wilson of Adams celebrate her 108th birthday by sending her a gift and best wishes from the Selkar Department. Miss Wilson was so pleased to think the girls thought of her, and sent her best regards to them all.

#### Sayings We Hear Every Day

Mike Grande-Where's my truck? Kit Ravizza—I'm hungry. Marion Dardis—I'm dieting. Iessie Brooks—Oh my feet. Mary Barry-Hello Folks. Louis Daub-Hope my horse wins. Alice Pedecini—I overslept.

Anne Card—I'm going out next Wednesday afternoon. Dorothy Royal-We want to get into the A bracket, too: Bob Mineau-Gee, I'm always getting the wrong count.

Sara Candiloro—Where to? Celeste Pontier My chair is always gone

Sprague Engineer: "Er-that is-Sir, I have been going with your daughter for 5 years."

Gerald Forbush-One minute flat.

Father: "Well, whadda ya' want—a pension?"

He who loses his temper generally loses out.

### Shipping Dept.

By Isabelle Brundige Bridget Shea came into the Room

morning and realized she still had her coat on. She turned to go to the coat rack when some kindhearted girl behind her said she would take care of it for her. Bridget handed to ver with a nice thank you. Now all Bridget wants to know is, "Who was the girl? "Where does she work? and the girl? "Where in heaven's name did she hang that coat?

Belleau strolled over Cecile Trudeau and very casually laid a snake on her desk. The next minute we heard a scream, a crash and Cecile was on the floor with a broken chair on top of her. The Shipping Room is still laughing. The snake was made of a piece of rope and kimpak; it was complete with eyes and mouth. Naturally Art Keans was in on it; it was his creation.

Mario Magnani is on vacation and the Marshall Street Cowboys are lost. Mario is the head man of their outfit. Where Mario goes, the boys go and what Mario says, goes. Mario had better hurry back, the boys branding the wrong cartons and lassoing (strapping) the wrong cases.

#### Maintenance

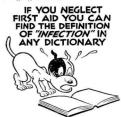
#### By Frank Daniels

Paul Schwartzer, our foreman, has returned from his vacation trip with a very becoming sun tan that he acquired at Lake Dunmore, Vermont. He caught several different kinds of fish, but due to the fact that he forgot his six foot rule, he was unable to disclose the length of the biggest one.

We wonder what Dorothy McKeon would use for her tea every morning if she should accidently break her person-

EXTRA! — By Frank Daniels

The time has come when the Check Inspectors at Marshall Street should be heard from. Introducing the following: Barbara Williams, Mary Fiorentino, Emma Mutart, Adeline Segala, Phyllis Carlson, Rita Fountain, Verne Bass, Eleanor Tourjee, Mary Girard, Mr. Mountford and last, but not least, the supervisor, Charles Blouin, known to the gang as Chuck.



# **SPORTS**

#### CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

Beaver Street softball team challenged the Brown Street softball team to a series of seven games. The Brown Street team through the inimitable Al Guisti accepted the challenge without hesitation. The first game will be contested at Brayton field, Tuesday night, August 7th. Through the Log, interested people will be kept posted on the results.

#### DIAMOND CHATTER

#### By Bernie Bullett

The North Adams ball club under the capable direction of John Mc-Connell has won 13 out of 15 games played this season. The only two set backs coming at the hands of Williams College...Art Keller who has won 8 in a row on the hill for the McConnell clan passed up several professional offers several years back, but it is generally conceded that Art now 28 years old could notch himself a starting pitcher's berth on several of the Class "A" Eastern league teams...Several of the North Adams baseballers also play softball in the Northern Berkshire League. Included among them are "Billy" Hart the ace third sacker, who dons the mask every Monday and Friday night for the Cornish Wire team...Tony Abuisi, utility outfielder, who pilots the Less Market entry and "Kiz" Bergendahl at shortstop on the same club... Incidentally, fans, the softball league has come along fast and the interest in the outcome of the second half has mounted considerably ... Al Guisti and Henry Gamari comanagers of the Sprague Products have their club entrenched in a first place tie with the Corner Cafe and Less Market teams at this writing...Lou Vincelette, speed merchant of the Corner Cafe and that "grand old man" of local softball circles "Red" Garceau of the Cornish Wire are fighting it out for the batting championship...at present, Vincelette holds a slight advantage...in the pitchers race Gerry Ronan lost to the Corner Cafe while George Roy stopped the Adams Laundry to take over the pitcher's berth. This column will publish the official batting and pitching marks in the next issue.

### FOR THE BOYS OVERSEAS

### By "Ken" Russell

Hi fellas!...Here is the latest in the Major Leagues Baseball World. In the National loop the red-hot Chicago Cubs are still showing their heels to the rest of the league and maybe you don't think that those rabid Chicago fans aren't backing their team the limit. If the Cubs continue the pace, they will draw more people through the turnstiles than they have drawn in the past 15 years. Last year's champs the St. Louis Cardinals, are in second place  $5\frac{1}{2}$  games behind the pace setters while Brooklyn is just ½ game behind the "Red-birds." Tommy Holmes of the Braves still leads in the batting race with a lusty .369, one point better than the Dodgers' Goody Rosen. Holmes and Workman of the Braves are tied for the most home runs with 17.

Turning now to the American League we find the Detroit Tigers grimly holding the league lead with a  $4\frac{1}{2}$  game margin over the Washington Senators, followed by the ever dangerous Yankees who are 5 games in arrears. The Red Sox round out the 1st division, 7 full games behind. Tony Cuccinello of the White Sox is leading the Junior Circuit batters with .330 followed closely by Case of Washington. Vern Stephens tops the home run parade with 14. Bob Johnson is second with 12.

### Marriage

BAGDONAS - TRIMARCHI: Miss Angelina Marie Trimarchi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Trimarchi, and S-Sgt. Joseph Julian Bagdonas of the U. S. Army Air Forces, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bagdonas of Athol, were married Saturday, July 28, 1945. The bride is employed in the Industrial Oil Department at Brown Street.

### **Engagements**

The engagement of Muriel Van Horn of the Western Electric Department, to Robert Williams of Cedartown, Georgia, has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

The engagement of Eleanor Ann Lally, of the Mica Department to Sgt. Gerald McConnell has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

### Veterans At Sprague's

BEAVER

Harry Arbour Arthur Bacon Joseph Battista Arthur Beauchemin Leo Bombardier John Carleton Joseph Candiloro Gerald Cronin Joseph DeLorenzo James Dolan Martin Fitzgerald Joseph Gardzina Stanley Gliwski Dominic Grillone Eric Hannaleck Julius Levitte Robert Lowe Eugene Marceau Ernest Mason Joseph Mazza Daniel McMahon Gerald O'Neil Alfred Peters Joseph Pevoski Robert Pilot Horst Reiprich Russell Sacco **Armand Trottier** Albert Vareschi Leo Wilcox

### BROWN

Peter Abuisi Robert Bligh Herbert Elsner Francis Judge Arthur Langlois Vincent Matranga Waiter Moderski William Sheldon Edmond Vadnais Louis Vincelette Ralph Woodside Charles Wright

### MARSHALL

Charles Blouin John Callahan Paul Maginnity Atillio Perrone Norman Scott

### MORE FROM THE SOLDIERS

#### Thanks a Million

Tinian Island July 12, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

On Okinawa

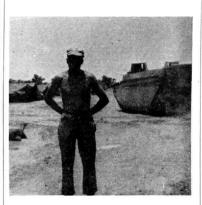
I received the gift package from the Sprague employees, which came in good condition. To them, thanks a million.

Enjoy the Log more than any other paper, and the only thing that I can say is it should be a daily paper.

Although I've been here only nine months, it seems like much more. Just hoping this mess is over with soon so we can all be together again and for

God Bless you and keep up the good work.

> Sincerely, Edward Bury



Cpl. Donald Jillson of the U. S. Marine Corps sends home this picture snapped of him on Okinawa Cpl. Jillson is the son of Edna of K.V.A.

#### Filled Stomach

July 27, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

I am writing to thank the employees of the Sprague Electric Co., for the box I received. It was in good condition even though it did go over seas and back. It helped fill that empty corner in my stomach.

I receive the Log regularly and hope it can keep coming as I enjoy reading it. It keeps me posted on the whereabouts of some of the fellows I know.

This is all for now, so long until next time. Give my best wishes to the gang in Block Test.

> As always, "Bill" Beliveau



Gallant Soldier: "May I kiss your hand?'

Paris Miss: "Whatsa matter, my mouth dirty?"

#### Muscle Man

#### By Milard Henry

There's a sign out in front of our Post Office, home

That entices adventurous young stalwarts to roam

But at sixteen the part that appealed to me then

Was the slogan "The United States Navy Builds Men!"

I then often yearned to engage in the

To emerge padded over with masses of muscle

But weak as I was in those tendersome years

I confess that I haven't improved through the years.

So now in the Navy at a much later A Bill of Duties

(I blush to admit that I'm now twentyeight)

I very much doubt if there ever will be A resemblance between that big sailor and me.

For my eyes aren't enhanced by their cumbersome bags

My framework is bony, my abdomen sags

My arches have fallen-I now have flat

My heart sometimes flutters and misses a beat.

My teeth are supplanted by china and paste.

My hair has retreated and can't be re-

My fingernails up to my knuckles are

I've boils on the place where I usually

But wreck that I am and though little my might

I still have my spunk and I'm ready to

fight And the guy who seduced me with methods so dastard -

If I ever can find him-I'll murder the bum!!

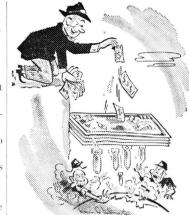
Sent in by Romeo Gagne

### **Electric Love Recordings** Lure Mosquitoes to Death

All is fair in the war to exterminate insects, even a scientific study of the love life of mosquitoes.

After electrical recordings were made of the mating songs of mosquitoes, it was found that the pests could be lured to their deaths in insect traps. The recordings simply are played back and mosquitoes of the opposite sex fly into the traps where they are exterminated.

The recordings revealed that that power in the voice of a female mosquito greatly exceeds that of the male.



### NO XCUSES, PLEASE

Xpend to xpedite the war; Xpand your quota in xtent; To aid in what we're fighting for An xtra bond is xcellent.

As a squide to democratic living, Melvin Evans, a nationally-known management engineer, has developed a Personal Bill of Duties which we, as American citizens, should adopt to safeguard our Bill of Rights. Here are ten of the points to live by:

- 1. I will start the day with a sincere purpose and feeling of dynamic
- 2. I will cultivate awareness of "others," their problems and interests. 3. I will be alert and willing to give
- the other fellow a boost-tactfullyeven though this may mean letting him get the credit. 4. I will earnestly and energetically
- seek the economic and spiritual welfare of my family and myself, and, at the same time, devote a substantial portion of my time to the welfare and interests of those about me.
- 5. I will be scrupulously honest, sincere and loyal in all my thinking and
- 6. Whatever I do will be done with all my heart and soul, with a passion for thoroughness.
- 7. I will cultivate the art of patience under all circumstances, beginning at
- 8. I will devote a definite portion of my time daily to maintaining my vitality at high pitch, through good habits: sleep, exercise, fresh air, good eating and drinking.
- 9. I will tirelessly add to my knowledge, not only of my job, but also any information that will make me a more effective citizen.
- 10. Through resolutely following this program daily, I will strive, with God's help, to eliminate completely, from my personality: fear, inferiority complex, discontent, worry, anger, hate, jealousy, revenge, shyness, self-consciousness.

### PRE-INVASION BOMBARDMENT

